

## 94. Equations vs Identities: Understanding the Difference

### Practice Questions

1. Is  $2x + 3 = 7$  an equation or an identity?
2. Is  $(x + 1)(x - 1) = x^2 - 1$  an equation or an identity?
3. Determine whether  $3(x + 2) = 3x + 6$  is an equation or an identity.
4. Is  $x^2 - 4 = 0$  an equation or an identity?
5. Identify if  $a + b = b + a$  is an equation or an identity.
6. Determine whether  $5y - 10 = 2y + 8$  is an equation or an identity.
7. Is  $4(2x + 3) = 8x + 12$  an equation or an identity?
8. Identify if  $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$  is an equation or an identity.
9. Is  $x^2 - 9 = (x + 3)(x - 3)$  an equation or an identity?
10. Determine if  $y = mx + c$  is an equation or an identity.

### Scenario Questions

1. A shopkeeper calculates total cost using  $C = 5x + 2$ . Is this an equation or an identity?
2. A student simplifies  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ . Is this an equation or an identity?
3. A scientist uses  $F = ma$  for force. Is this an equation or an identity?
4. A manufacturer finds that  $2(x + 3) = 2x + 6$  always holds. Is this an equation or an identity?
5. A builder uses Area = length  $\times$  width to calculate flooring. Is this an equation or an identity?
6. A programmer writes  $x + y = y + x$  for addition order. Is this an equation or an identity?
7. A bank computes interest using  $A = P(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt}$ . Is this an equation or an identity?
8. A physicist writes  $E = mc^2$ . Is this an equation or an identity?
9. A student rewrites  $x^2 - y^2 = (x + y)(x - y)$ . Is this an equation or an identity?
10. A statistician defines mean as Mean = (Sum of values)  $\div$  (Number of values). Is this an equation or an identity?

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